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SUBJ: MESSAGE TO SECRETARY FROM NEW FOREIGN MINISTER

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1. EMBASSY GREATLY APPRECIATES DEPARTMENT'S QUICK ACTION AND COOPERATION IN FORWARDING SECRETARY'S CONGRATULATORY MESSAGES IN SUCH A TIMELY FASHION.

2. BOTH FOREIGN MINISTER NOGUES AND FORMER MINISTER SAPENA PASTOR HAVE EXPRESSED GRATITUDE FOR SECRETARY'S MESSAGES OF CONGRATULATIONS AND HAVE SENT MESSAGE IN REPLY.

3. PLEASE PASS TO SECRETARY FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM FOREIGN MINISTER NOGUES:

QUOTE IT HAS BEEN AN HONOR FOR ME TO RECEIVE YOUR CORDIAL MESSAGE ON MY APPOINTMENT AS MINISTER OF FOREIGN RELATIONS OF PARAGUAY AND, RESPONDING TO YOUR WISHES, I HOPE FOR AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET YOUR EXCELLANCY PERSONALLY, ASSURED AS I AM OF YOUR FRIENDLY DISPOSITION TO CONSIDER TOPICS COMMON TO OUR TWO COUNTRIES. WITH ASSURANCE OF MY HIGHEST REGARDS, ALBERTO NOGUES, MINISTER. END QUOTE.

3. PLEASE PASS TO SECRETARY FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM FORMER UNCLASSIFIED

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MINISTER SAPENA PASTOR:

QUOTE: I HAVE RECEIVED WITH EMOTION THE MESSAGE YOU
SENT ME ON MY RETIREMENT FROM THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN
RELATIONS. I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT IT GIVES ME PLEASURE
TO NOTE THAT, DURING THE 20 YEARS I HEADED THE MINISTRY
OF FOREIGN RELATIONS, THE FOREIGN POLICY OF PARAGUAY
ALWAYS COINCIDED CONSTRUCTIVELY WITH THAT OF THE UNITED
STATES. I WANT TO SAY AS WELL THAT I RETAIN A VERY
VIVID IMPRESSION OF YOUR EXTRAORDINARY PERSONAL QUALITIES,
WHICH I WAS ABLE TO VIEW PERSONALLY IN MANY INTERNATIONAL
MEETINGS AND WHICH CONTRIBUTE SO EFFECTIVELY TO THE
LEADERSHIP OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN THE
FREE WORLD. CORDIALLY, RAUL SAPENA PASTOR. END QUOTE.
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